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	Secretary to Government.	Prescribing rules to be observed during the approaching famine for giving relief to the natives of the country.
	Board of Revenue	Transmitting for his information Extract of a letter from the Court of Directors relating to the ~~clot~~ clerical profession.
	Judge & Magistrate of Madura.	Forwarding a decree in a boundary dispute case between the inhabitants of Annamaya Naik Pollam and those of the Pollam of Amattory (decree not found).
	Board of Revenue	Transmitting Copy of a letter despatched to the Magistrates with copies of the Passport Regulation which it refers.
	Do - -	Enclosing a petition from the wife of the late Poligar of Palni [illegible] of her husband having died in prison. Desiring him to report the merits of her claim.
	Government Secretary.	Requesting to take charge of the Police Dept of Palni District.
	Magistrate of Madura	Forwarding a Copy of the Circular order issued to the Tahsildars &c regarding the Passport which the foreign travellers should possess.
	Magistrate of Darapuram	Forwarding the charge of the Police Dept of the Palni Distt

Revenue Department

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To
The President and Members of the
Board of Revenue

Gentlemen,

Para 1 The attention of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council having been particularly directed to the means of alleviating the severe pressure which must attend the general failure of the Crops of the harvest season, I am directed to inform you that the best measures that can be devised have been taken for that purpose by ~~ encouraging the importation of Grain to the greatest practicable extent.

2 It must however be obvious that this means of relief alone cannot be sufficient to avert the impending calamity and

and that much of the desired relief must
depend on a judicious and vigilant conduct
on the part of the local Officers of the Revenue
Department in the course of the ensuing
season. It will be proper to adopt as a leading
principle, that the preservation of the lives of
the Inhabitants and of the sources of
agricultural improvement will be the surest
mode of obviating any lasting injury from
the difficulties of the present period, and
however essential a due realization of the
Public Revenue must be considered, it will
be proper that the attainment of that
object should be tempered with prudence, and
that considerations of temporary loss should
not be permitted to weigh too forcibly in
opposition to the claims of humanity, and
of the permanent principles of the Public
interest,

interest. –

3 His Lordship in Council thinks it proper that in those places where the late failure of rain has been chiefly felt, a careful investigation should be made of the probable extent of the loss of the Inhabitants, and that the remission of Revenue which it may be hereafter determined to allow should be proportioned to that loss – you will however be sensible of the necessity of conducting an investigation of this nature with the utmost caution in order that all fictitious or improper claims may be resisted and in order that the Public Revenue may not be diminished more than shall be found indispensible. –

4 His Lordship in Council is aware that a considerable degree of delicacy attaches to any interference with the

the principles of the permanent settlement

and such interference would be improper

under any circumstances less urgent than

those produced by the extreme adversity of the present Season — It might however

be expected that a rigid enforcement of the

public demands against the Proprietors of

Land on permanent tenure would lead to

an extensive alienation of such property

and might in its consequence essentially

affect the general confidence in that

description of Public Security — His Lordship

in Council is therefore of opinion that

under a general view of the subject,

the conditions of the permanent settle-

-ment should be relaxed in those cases

where the claims to relaxation may be

conformable to the principles described in

this

His Lordship in Council directs me to repeat his approbation of the principle lately recommended by the Principal Collector of the Southern Division of Arcot of employing the Inhabitants during the present time of scarcity in public works as a beneficial mode of combining objects of charity, with the Public interests, and I am directed to convey His Lordship's sanction for extending that principle in other cases where it may be found advisable.

Fort St. George
26th. January 1807.

I have the honor to be
Gentlemen,
Your Most Obedient Servant
Signed, George Buchan
Chief Secy. to Govt.

Exd. J. Chatfield
Asst.

(A true Copy)
James H. Cullemarge?
Dy. Secy.

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To the Collector in Zilla
Dindigul.

Sir,

Circular

At the desire of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, I am directed by the Board to transmit for your information the accompanying Extract of a letter from the Honble the Court of Directors in the Public Department under date the 9th April 1806. –

I am,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,
James A [illegible]
Deputy Secy

Fort St. George
14th April 1807

Ex^d
F. W. Robertson
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Extract of a General Letter from England

in the Public Department Dated 9th April 1806

Para 104 We proceed to give you our sentiments upon the remaining subject contained in His Lordships Minute, Vizt the Report of the Senior Chaplain on the state of the Clerical Establishment. —

105 We highly applaud the motives by which the Governor has been actuated in bringing this subject into discussion, His Lordships reasonings on the necessity of upholding the British character in Honor and in Virtue, are too just and forcible not to meet with our entire concurrence the opinion upon which we must ever desire to hold our Indian Possessions (as far as opinion

opinion may be the ground of their Tenure)
is that the minds of the governed should
impressed with respect for the virtues of
those who govern, Without a due sense of
Religion and the constant practice of Reli-
gious Duties emanating therefrom we can
have little hope to implant or support the
Sentiments in a People whose observances
of the forms of their own superstition are
perhaps carried to excess. It was therefore
with sincere concern we perused that par
of the report from the Senior Chaplain i
which Dr Kerr has stated that "it is a
"melancholy fact of the plainest notorie
"that the Christian Religion is ill underst
"its forms much neglected, and its princ
"little felt throughout this Country and
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"my humble opinion the happiness, purity, or
"integrity of a numerous part of the European
"Inhabitants, has been lost, or impaired, from
"the want of a proper Establishment of good
"Clergymen, and the due dissemination of
"those principles on which alone, whatever is
"decent in practice, or excellent in morals,
"can be firmly and regularly supported. — The
Governor in allusion to these remarks of
Dr Kerr, on the state of irreligion, and the
general neglect of Divine worship; asserts,
that the fact is too notorious to be questioned.
If this be a true representation, (and how-
-ever we may deplore, we have no room
for doubting it, considering the high authority
by which it is sanctioned) there can be little
expectation that the British Character will
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be held in estimation by the natives when they see one of its most essential requisites, the due performance of Religious worship so grossly neglected, and we have great reason to apprehend that the injunctions contained in the 51st and 52nd Paragraphs of our Public Letter of the 25th of May 1798, and in the 7th Para of our Letter of the 11th June 1800, so far as they relate to a regular attendance on Public worship, have not been sufficiently, if in any degree regarded.

106 The want of a proper Establishment of good Clergymen is stated by Dr. Kerr as one of the causes of the evils pointed out by him and the Governor when he attributes the general neglect of religious duties to habit, arising out of the [illegible]

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offered to Europeans at a distance from the Presidency of attending divine worship, seems to adopt Doctor Kerrs reasoning - We must here express our concern that a more early representation of the insufficiency in point of numbers of the Clerical Establishment under your Presidency has not been submitted to us; you will observe however by our Letter of the 8th June last in the Public Department, that we had determined to augment the Establishment.-

107. Doctor Kerr has suggested the addition of nine Chaplains (not ten as mentioned in the 186 Paragraph of your Letter) to be stationed in the several Garrisons and districts enumerated in his report - But as three of these, Poonamalee

Cuddalore

Cuddalore and Tanjore, are not principal
stations, your President has observed that
Chaplains will not be required there – on
in Malabar another of the Stations reco
-mended by Doctor Kerr, there is a Cha
lain altho' at present belonging to the
Bombay Establishment but this Station
by our Letter abovementioned is in futur
to be annexed to your Presidency.
108 The Establishment of Mili:
tary Chaplains directed by us in April
1796 was four; by your latest Military
Statement three of these are returned as
attached to the principal Divisions of
the army which of course comprehends
some of the Stations mentioned in Doctor
Kerr's Report, and the Reverend A. Clark
(inserted

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(inserted in the Military Statement as a Chaplain to the King's Troops at Mysore) was by the 87th Para of our Military Letter of the 17th August 1803 allowed to officiate as Chaplain to the Garrison of Seringapatam, we are uncertain if Dr Kerr had these appointments in recollection, when he framed his Report.

109 Admitting however the expediency of the Establishment that has been proposed, it is our intention gradually to supply the number that may be wanting to complete the same, of which you will regularly advise us.

110 With respect to the regulations for the Clerical Duties, proposed by Doctor Kerr, as the Governor has intimated his

his intention of bringing them before the Board at a future period, we shall only here observe that in general, they appear to us well calculated for the object in view.

111 His Lordship has remarked "perhaps some discouragement (from the "performance of Religious Duties) has been "added from the want of respectability on "the part of the profession in this country "and further that every object had in view "will be completely defeated unless due "attention is paid to the Character of the "Clergy who are sent out to this Country" on this we think it necessary to say that in the appointments made here the most satisfactory Testimonials are constantly required from the Clergymen who apply

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for admission into our service if after their arrival in India their conduct is such as to justify the imputation cast on them in the remark first quoted, it is obviously the Duty of our Governments, first to admonish the Persons whose behaviour may in any way have been inconsistent with the sacred Character of the profession, and, if this fails of the desired effect, to point out the particular instances of the offending Parties to our notice, in the same way as the gross misconduct of a Civil Servant would be reported; and we shall most assuredly remove from our service any Clergyman who may have rendered himself unworthy of the stations he has been appointed to fill.—

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 The Governor proceeds to remark on the insufficiency of the Salaries at present fixed for the Chaplains and has proposed some regulations for improving their situations, as well in this respect, as in the amount of the retiring allowance, granted by us; we cannot concur in His Lordship's sentiments on these points, the Salary proposed for Chaplains, on their first arrival Vizt. Captains Pay and allowances We consider too small to afford a maintenance suitable to the time of life at which they enter our service, & the course of Education which they must previously have gone through, nor could we expect that Persons properly qualified would be induced to enter our service on

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these salaries: and you will perceive, by our instructions already referred to, that the salaries we have allotted to the Chaplains on their first appointments, are more than those recommended by His Lordship, for the first two periods of Service..

113 On the other hand we are of opinion, the Salaries recommended for the higher gradations exceed a reasonable remuneration for the Duties to be performed; it will be seen, however that we have made an addition to the allowances established by our orders of 1796 for Chaplains of the Superior Stations.

(A true Extract)

(Signed) Edw. C. Greenway
Secy to Government

(A true Copy)

Exd
F.W. Robertson
Asst.

[signature]

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To the Collector in the Zillah of

Madura

You will herewith receive Counterpart of a Decree passed under the provisions of Section VI Regulation XXXII. A. D. 1802 in respect to a boundary dispute between certain Inhabitants of Ammiah maig pollom, and those of the pollom of Amattang, and you are hereby directed to give effect to the same, in as far as regards the land therein adjudged to be forfeited to Government.—

Given under my hand and the Seal of the Court at Madura this 20th day of August in the year 1807.—

[signature]

Judge & Magte

Revenue Department

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To the Collector in Zilla
Dindigul &c.

Sir,

Circular

I am directed to transmit for your information the enclosed Copy of a letter which has been dispatched to the Magistrates under this Government, with Copies of the Passport Regulations to which it refers, and to enjoin your utmost attention in giving effect to the orders which they contain.

I am,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
James Hatamayor
Depy Secy

Fort St. George
3rd September 1807

Exam.d
J.F. Lane
Assist

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To the Magistrate of the Zillah

of Chingleput

Sir,

1. The Right Hon'ble the Governor in Council having been pleased to establish some additional rules relative to the issue of Passports, I am directed to enclose a Copy of them for your information and guidance.

2. His Lordship in Council having reason to believe that a great degree of remissness has existed in regard to this important object, I am directed to desire that you will take particular care to impress on the minds of the Police Servants the intention

intention of the Passport Regulations and that you will stimulate their exertion in the fulfilment of that intention by every practicable means.

3. His Lordship in Council trusts that the Regulations which have been now established will be sufficient to preclude the practicability of any Foreigners or Suspicious persons whether European or Native travelling in the Country without authority, but if the Regulations should be found in any degree defective, it will be the duty of the local authorities to suggest such alterations and

improvements

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improvements as they may deem con=
ducive to the public safety.-

I have the honor to be,

Fort St George

22d August 1807.-

Sir,

Your most obedt Servant

(Signed) G. Buchan
chief secry to Govt

(a true Copy)

(Signed) J. Babington
Head assistant

Government Advertisement.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council has been pleased to adopt the following modifications in the Regulations which have been established with Regard to the issue of Passports.-

It is directed that in future

future all foreigners who arrive at Madras do deliver their Passports at the Police office in person and that no passports be issued to foreigners except at the Police office.—

The Masters Attendant at the different sea ports under this Government are ordered to report without delay to the Superintendent of Police at the Presidency the arrival or departure by Sea of all Foreigners who may land or embark at any of the Stations on the Sea Coast with such information as they may possess regarding their Characters, views occupations &ca.

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All Foriegners residing at any of the out Stations or elsewhere, under the authority of the Government of Fort St George or who may hereafter arrive, shall without delay report through the channel of the nearest Magistrate, Collector or other local authority their place of residence, occupation, period of arrival and from whence they have last come, to the Police office at Madras, and any person failing to comply with this notification will on discovery be placed under personal Restraint.—

It will be the particular duty of Magistrates, Collectors and other local authorities where

Foriegners

Foreigners may reside, to explain to such persons this part of the Regulations and to see that the order is strictly enforced.

When a foreigner takes his passport at any Station, intimation is to be transmitted without delay to the Officer to whom he is to deliver it on arriving at his destination. This will be the means of affording early information in the event of such person changing his route, or attempting to proceed in any opposite direction.

All Passports of whatever description are in future to be translated into the Malabar Gentoo and Hindostany

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Hindostany Languages there being reason to believe that the use of Passports has been in many instances rendered ineffectual by their having been only written in the English language.—

Such parts of the existing passport Regulations as are not affected by the above rules are to remain in full force.—

Fort St. George 22 August 1807.—

Published by order of the Right Honble the Governor in Council.—

(Signed) G. Buchan
Chief Secry to Govt.

(a true Copy)

(Signed) J. Babington
Head assistant.

(true Copies)

F. W. Robertson
Tr. Asst.

Examd
J. F. Lane
Assist.

From the Board
Dated 3d September
1807
Recd 24th September
1807 —
regarding
Pappers —

Revenue Department

To the Collector in Zillah Madura &c.

Sir,

1 I am directed to transmit to you the enclosed Copy of a Petition from the Wife of the late Poligar of Pylne[illegible]

2 It appears that the late Poligar while in confinement at D[illegible] [illegible] in the receipt of an a[illegible] [illegible] Pagodas p. Month, which after his removal to Madras was increased to fifty Pagodas that he died in the year 1803 and that his Family have since been left without any provision.—

3 It is stated by the Petitioner that after waiting on the Collector four years

years, she was informed by him the[illegible]

he had referred her case to the Com[illegible]

but as no such reference can be found

I am directed to desire you will aff[illegible]

such an explanation as may serve to

enable the Board to decide on the

merits of her Claim.—

I am

Sir

[illegible]

September 18[illegible]

Your most obedient hum[illegible]

Exam.

J. F. [illegible]

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To the Worshipful William Petrie Esqr.
President &ca. Members of the
Board of Revenue

The humble Petition of Sinnobalo

Most humbly Sheweth, Ammah the wife of the late
Valoyda Naigue Poligar of Pytney

That your Petitioner Crave leave,
with every mark of deference and respect, to
submit to the Honorable Board that at the time
when General Medows went to the Southern
Country with the Grand Army, He at Coimbatore,
Summoned your Petitioners husband and
directed him to forward the Companys business
by providing the necessary supplies and to be
deligent to all orders from the Circar your
Petitioners husband accordingly in obedience
thereto

thereto, furnished the necessary provisions and acted with promptness to the Companys orders.

While your Petitioners husband had continued with a steady attachment in obeying the orders of General Medows, a Colonel Oliver, who was appointed as a Commanding Officer to the Garrison of Dindegul, had some money dealing with your Petitioners husband, and in consequence of a Dispute which arose on account of Interest between her husband and, the said Gentleman, matters were represented in such a manner, unfavorable and prejudicial to the ruin and destruction of her husband, by some malignant enemies, and accordingly his seizure was meditated upon, on which the said Colonel Oliver came

with

with a Company of Troops and Surrounded the Village, took your Petitioners husband in Confinement to the Garrison of Dindigul on the 5th October 1795, who was from thence brought to Trichinopoly and some times after, from thence to Madras while continuing in Confinement for some times your Petitioners husband departed this Life.

That, since your Petitioners husband's Confinement, she was reduced to great misery, and being besides running much in Debt, as scarce able to support her Credit to afford the means of subsistence, both for Food and Raiment of the number of sufferers on this unhappy occasion are, the Mother and Sister, and three Brothers of your Petrs. husband, besides servants.

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Your Petitioner representedher deplorable case, and waited on the Collector for about four years, who informed her that, he has already addressed the Board on the subject, and directed her to proceed to the Presidency, where she with the rest of the family, are now arrived, in order to prostrate themselves before your honors footstool, craving your mercy by protecting them from the calamity under which they are suffering.

Your Petitioner further craves the liberty of representing to the Honorable Board that, understanding their Benignant humanity has been extended in the restoration of several of the Pollams your Petitioner therefore, humbly prays that the Honorable Board will be graciously pleased to take

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this case into their favorable consideration, and grant a restoration of the Poltam, or paying, (in like manner with the others,) the annual Rent thereof should the Board not be pleased to grant this prayer — your Petitioner further humbly entreats that, some provision will be made for herself, and the family whereby they may be enabled to Subsist upon during the remainder part of their days, imploring the Divine Blessing, for your health and prosperity, and in doing which Act of bounty, your Petitioner as in duty bound

Shall Ever Pray

(True copy)

J. F. Lane
Capt.

Exam.
J. F. Lane
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Judicial Department

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To the Collector of the Zillah
of
Madura

Sir,

I am directed by the Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 29th Ultimo and to acquaint you that the Judge and Magistrate of the Zillah of Darapooram has been instructed to transfer the Police establishment of the district of Palaney to your charge

Fort St. George
7th November 1807

I am
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
Edw: C. Greenway
Sub Secy

Examd
E. J. Gomonde
Asst

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To the Collector in the Zillah

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of

Madura

Sir

I have the honor herewith to transmit Translation of a general order issued to the Tasildars in charge of police duties in this Zillah with enclosures connected therewith, on the subject of passport.-

I have the honor to be

Sir

your most obedient Servant

[illegible]

Mag.

Madura

Magistrate's Office

17th November 1807

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Notice to Travellers

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The Police officer at a entrusted with this Notification is empowered to demand of every European and Portuguese Traveller his passport, from which he is to take an Extract in writing as follows. The Name of such traveller – The place where he is going, and The place from whence he has come.

And in the event of such Traveller not affording the information required, the police officer has positive injunctions to detain him and report the circumstance to the Zillah Magistrate at Madura.

(Signed) W. R. Irwin
Magistrate

Madura
Zillah Court
1st November 1807

True Copy
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Form of Statement of Persons who may have passed with Passports the Tannah Station of _____ in the Zillah of _____ to be transmitted to the Magistrate thro' the Taseildars on the 10.th 20.th and 30.th of every Month.–

Travellers Name	Place from whence he came	Place where he is going	Date of his arrival	Hour of his arrival either by Night or day –	Remarks

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(Name of the Tannah Station)
(Date)

(Signature of Tannahdar)

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True translation
[illegible]

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General Orders to the Tasildars in charge of the police duties in the Zillah of Madura.

1st It having pleased Government to issue the strictest orders to the Magistrate on the subject of European and Portuguese travellers as well as of Natives of suspicious appearance passing thro' this Zillah, you are herewith furnished with Notifications in the English language, for each of the Tannah Stations upon the several roads leading thro' your district, and a translation in Malabars also accompanies them, for your information and for that of the Tannadars to whom they are entrusted.—

2nd In order to give effects to the inten=tions of the Magistrate on this subject it will be neces=sary that each Tannadar stationed upon the roads, understand to read and write either the Tamul or Telinga

3rd. Upon the arrival at a Tannah Station, of a Eurpean or Portuguese traveller, or Native traveller of suspecious appearance, the Tannadar will immediately stop him, shew him the Notification of the Magistrate, and require a sight of his passport, which if he furnish, the Tannadar is to take the extract required, and immediately allow him to pass on; if on the contrary, such traveller be either unable or unwilling to shew a passport, he is to be detained, and a report of the circumstance immediately made to the Magistrate.

4th. Travellers are, on no account, to be wontonly or unnecessarily detained, further than may be absolutely required for the inspection of their passports.

5th. The public authorities of this Zillah, such as the Judge & Magistrate, and the Collector with their respective Establishments, the Judge on Circuit, and Officers passing with detach=ments of troops, are not to be questioned or detained

Magistrate every ten days of the Travellers who may have passed with passports the several Tannah Stations in the Zillah, agreeably to a form which is herewith transmitted — those who have not Passports are to be reported without the delay of a Moment.

7th Upon any of the Notifications becoming illegible from age, dampness or other Cause, a report of the Circumstance is to be made to the Magistrate, in order that a New One may be substituted, the Tanadars will keep them always Carefully rolled up and in Secure places —

8th You will refer the subject of these instructions to the Collector, that He may issue such orders to you the better to carry them into force —

True translate

W. A. Morton(?)

Mag.

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To the Collector of the Zillah

of

Madura

Sir,

Having received Instructions from Government to transfer the Police Establishment of the District of Palany to your Superintendance, I have the honor to send enclosed a Copy of my orders to the Dharoga placing the Police accordingly under your authority and a Statement of the pay of the Establishment for your information. —

I have the honor to be

Sir

Your most Obed.t Servant

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Dharapooram
26. November 1807.